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February 21, 2004 Sacramento Meeting

Public Input Sought on Future of State's Off-Highway Vehicle Program

SACRAMENTO -- California State Parks and the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Commission will hold a public meeting in Sacramento on February 21 to gain input to help outline and recommend priorities for the future of California's off-highway recreation program. The meeting will also include information regarding the grant process and discuss trends likely to affect off-highway programs in the future.

The meeting will be held from 9:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Saturday, February 21, 2004, at the Clarion Hotel, 700 - 16th Street, Sacramento. Any person needing reasonable accommodation due to a disability contact may Laurie Taylor at (916) 324-5801.

Through its Stakeholders Roundtable and other forums, California State Parks and its Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division have demonstrated that many positive accomplishments can be achieved through meaningful and open dialogue.

To ensure an adequate number of handouts are available, any person interested in attending is asked to RSVP to Laurie Taylor by phone at (916) 324-5801 or by email at ltayl@parks.ca.gov

To assist the Commission in its work, participants are asked to complete the three-question survey listed below, and forward it to the address below. The survey and all advanced written comments must be received prior to **February 10, 2004**, and may be mailed to:

**Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Commission
California Department of Parks and Recreation
P.O. Box 942896
Sacramento, CA 94296-0001**

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To assist State Parks in the meeting, persons interested in attending are asked to respond to the following questions:

Future of the OHV Program in California

- What trends and/or issues do you believe are likely to impact the future of the program?

Grant allocations

- What top three priorities do you feel should be considered in support of grant allocations?
- In considering grant applications, what top three criteria do you feel should be used in allocating grant funds?

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